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ECUADOR

The government has taken strong measures in the wake of yesterday's kidnaping of air force General Rohon by still unidentified assailants. It has placed the entire country under martial law and imposed a night curfew. The capital has been sealed off, and all plane flights have been halted. Orders have been issued for the arrest of suspected terrorists and prominent leftists

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The kidnaping will give further impetus to the crackdown that the government has already undertaken against its opponents since Velasco assumed dictatorial powers in June. The President probably believes that a strong stand will rally military support behind him and give him a free hand to deal with the small subversive groups in the country as well as with his legitimate political opponents.

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